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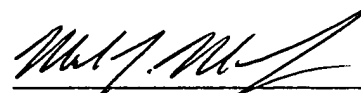
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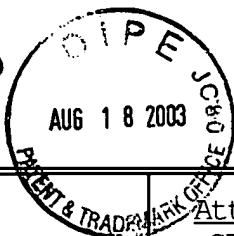
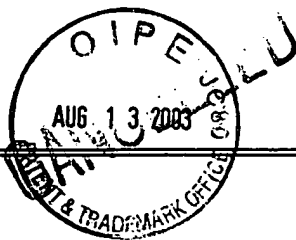
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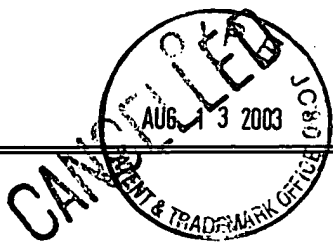
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- 3) US Patent Application No. 09/566,729 to Yamazaki et al filed May 9, 2000, including specification, claims, abstract, drawings, pending claims 1-15 & 20-34 and PTO filing receipt.
- 4) US Patent Application No. 09/566,730 to Yamazaki et al filed May 9, 2000, including specification, claims, abstract, drawings, allowed claims and PTO filing receipt.

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